# IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

# RETURN

OF

# PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885, 1888, AND 1891;" AND "THE REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891,"

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# IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## MONTH OF APRIL, 1892.

**Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 30th day of April, 1892; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885–1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891."**

## COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

### I.—Fair Rent.

*(a.) In Court.*

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1892, . . . | 173,391 | | Rents fixed— | | |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . . . | 209 | 173,600 | By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1892, . . | 3,833 | |
| Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st March, 1892, . | 8,469 | | " in month of April, 1892, | 4 | 3,837 |
| Do. in month of April, 1892, . | 24 | 8,493 | By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1892, . . | 144,645 | |
| Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1892, . . . . . | 28,428 | | " in month of April, 1892, | 517 | 145,162 |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . . . | 84 | 28,512 | Dismissed and struck out— | | |
| Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st March, 1892, . . . . . | 1,250 | | By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1892, . . | 2,190 | |
| Do. in month of April, 1892, . | 1 | 1,251 | " in month of April, 1892, | 4 | 2,194 |
| | | | By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1892, . . | 37,750 | |
| | | | " in month of April, 1892, | 68 | 37,818 |
| | | | Withdrawn*— | | |
| | | | By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1892, . . | 5,009 | |
| | | | " in month of April, 1892, | 5 | 5,014 |
| | | | By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1892, . . | 8,818 | |
| | | | " in month of April, 1892, | 5 | 8,823 |
| Total, . | | 211,856 | Total disposed of, . | — | 202,848 |

*(b.) Out of Court.*

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|---|---|
| Agreements out of Court, in form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1892, . . . . . | 111,327 |
| Do., do. in month of April, 1892, . . . . . | 194 |
| Total, . . . . . | 111,521 |

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.



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## II.—Miscellaneous Originating Notices.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st March, 1892, . . . | 1,210 | | Number disposed of to 31st March, 1892, . | 2,057 |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . | 12 | 1,222 | „ in month of April, 1892, | 2 |
| Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1892, . | 27 | | | |
| Do. in month of April, 1892, . . | — | 27 | | |
| Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st March, 1892, . . | 1,026 | | | |
| Applications in month of April, 1892, . . . . . | — | 1,026 | | |
| Total, . . . | — | 2,275 | Total disposed of, . . | 2,059 |

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

## III.—Applications by Lessee or Grantee to have Lease or Grant executed since 1st January, 1869, declared Void ("Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,"—sec. 2.)—Form 80.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888, † . | 55 | Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1892, . | 22 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | 22 |
| | | Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1892, . . . | 28 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | 1 | 29 |
| | | Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st March, 1892, . . . | 3 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | 3 |
| Total, . . . | 55 | Total disposed of, . | — | 54 |

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

## IV.—Applications by Middleman claiming to be entitled to surrender his Holding under sec. 8 of "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."—Form 83.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1892, | 10 | | Applications granted to 31st March, 1892, . | — |
| „ in month of April, 1892, . . | 1 | 11 | „ in month of April, 1892, | — |
| „ Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1892, | 3 | | Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1892, . . . | 9 |
| „ in month of April, 1892, . . | — | 3 | „ in month of April, 1892, | — 9 |
| | | | Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1892, . | 3 |
| | | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — 3 |
| Total, . . | — | 14 | Total disposed of, . | — 12 |

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## V.—Proceedings under the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885—1886.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Applications received to 31st Mar., 1892, | 3,102 | Rents fixed to 31st Mar., 1892, | 2,602 | |
| „ in April, 1892, | 1 | „ in April, 1892, | — | 2,602 |
| | | Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st Mar., 1892, | 270 | |
| | | „ in April, 1892, | 42 | 312 |
| Total, | 3,103 | Total disposed of, | — | 2,914 |

## VI.—Appeals *re* Fair Rent, &c.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Appeals lodged to 31st Mar., 1892, | 38,988 | Number heard to 31st Mar., 1892, | 16,989 | |
| „ in month of April, 1892, | 95 | „ in month of April, 1892, | 215 | 17,204 |
| | | Number dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1892, | *1,076 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | |
| | | | 1,076 | |
| | | Deduct cases reinstated to 31sc April, 1892, | 275 | 801 |
| | | Number withdrawn to 31st Mar., 1892, | 16,739 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | 29 | 16,768 |
| | | Total Number disposed of, | — | 34,773 |
| | | Remaining to be disposed of, | — | 4,310 |
| Total, | 39,083 | Total, | — | 39,083 |

* In 645 cases the Notices were struck out because maps were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 431 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 63 cases, and of the latter 212 cases, were reinstated.

## VII.—Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885 and 1888.

| — | Number. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| | | £ |
| Loans applied for to 31st March, 1892, | 29,335 | 11,378,932 |
| „ in April, 1892, | — | — |
| | 29,335 | 11,378,932 |
| Deduct Applications refused, | 2,851 | 1,091,726 |
| | 26,484 | 10,287,206 |
| Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1892, | 23,424 | 9,242,008 |
| „ in April, 1892, | 423 | 126,487 |
| | 23,847 | 9,368,495 |
| Loans issued to 31st March, 1892, | 18,263 | 7,466,619 |
| „ in April, 1892, | 411 | 108,651 |
| | 18,674 | 7,575,270 |

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## VIII.—Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891.

| — | Number. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| | | £ |
| Loans applied for to 31st March, 1892, | 1,165 | 400,234 |
| " in April, 1892, | 103 | 64,293 |
| | 1,268 | 464,527 |
| Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1892, | 59 | 24,452 |
| " in April, 1892, | 138 | 50,059 |
| | 197 | 74,511 |
| Loans issued to 31st March, 1892, | 1 | 1,200 |
| " in April, 1892, | 2 | 825 |
| | 3 | 2,025 |

## IX.—Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Applications received to 31st March, 1892, | 433 | Consents to Redemption of Rent received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 31st March, 1892, | 73 | |
| " in April, 1892, | 45 | " in April, 1892, | 2 | 75 |
| | | Consents not received and cases treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents * to 31st March, 1892, | 240 | |
| | | " in April, 1892, | 46 | 286 |
| | | Number of cases dismissed to 31st March, 1892, | 3 | |
| | | " in April, 1892, | — | 3 |
| | | Number of cases struck out and withdrawn to 31st March, 1892, | 5 | |
| | | " in April, 1892, | — | 5 |
| Total, | 478 | Total disposed of, | — | 369 |

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 3.

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# CIVIL BILL COURTS.

## MONTH OF APRIL, 1892.

**Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of April, 1892.**

### I.—Fair Rent.

#### (a.) *In Court.*

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1892, . . . | 25,923 | | Rents fixed to 31st Mar., 1892, . | 14,025 | |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . . . . | 49 | 25,972 | " in month of April, 1892, . . . | 47 | 14,072 |
| Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st March, 1892, . | 3,799 | | Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1892, . . | 2,849 | |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . . . . | 3 | 3,802 | " in month of April, 1892, . . . | 14 | 2,863 |
| Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st Mar., 1892, . | 2,000 | | Applications withdrawn* to 31st March, 1892, . | 301 | |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . . . | 14 | 2,014 | " in month of April, 1892, . . . | 1 | 302 |
| | | | Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Mar., 1892, . . . | 9,719 | |
| | | | " in month of April, 1892, . . . | 25 | 9,744 |
| Total, . . . | — | 31,788 | Total disposed of, . | — | 26,981 |

#### (b.) *Out of Court.*

| | |
|---|---|
| Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1892, . . | 7,101 |
| Do., do. in month of April, 1892, . . | — |
| Total, . . . . . | 7,101 |

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

### II.—Miscellaneous Originating Notices.†

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st March, 1892, . . | 442 | | Number disposed of to 31st Mar., 1892, . | 190 | |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . | 4 | 446 | " in month of April, 1892, . . . | — | 190 |
| Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st Mar., 1892, . . . | 3 | | Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1892, . . . . . | 27 | |
| Applications received in month of April, 1892, . | — | 3 | Transferred in month of April, 1892, . . . . . | — | 27 |
| Total, . . . | — | 449 | Total disposed of, . | — | 217 |

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

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III.—Applications by Lessee or Grantee to have Lease or Grant executed since 1st January, 1869, declared Void ("Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,"—sec. 2).—Form 80.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,* . . . | 6 | Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Mar., 1892, . | — | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | — |
| | | Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1892, . . | 6 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | 6 |
| | | Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st March, 1892, . | — | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | — |
| | | Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1892, . | — | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | — |
| Total, . . . | 6 | Total disposed of, . | — | 6 |

* The time Limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV—Applications by Middleman claiming to be entitled to surrender his Holding under sec. 8 of "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."—Form 83.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1892, . . | 20 | Applications granted to 31st Mar., 1892, . . | 3 | |
| „ in month of April, 1892, . | — | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | 3 |
| | | Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar, 1892, . . | 4 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892 | — | 4 |
| | | Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1892, . | 1 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | 1 |
| | | Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1892, . | 3 | |
| | | „ in month of April, 1892, | — | 3 |
| Total, . . . | 20 | Total disposed of, . | — | 11 |

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